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Subject:

Divisional Patent Application of

Serial No.: 10/104,778 3/22/02

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CONTINUOUS FREE LAYER SPIN VALVE SENSOR WITH PATTERNED EXCHANGE UNDERLAYER

**STABILIZATION** 

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment for the above referenced Divisional Patent

Application. Please amend the above identified application for patent as follows:

## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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